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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: SYNTHETIC QUARTZ POWDER,  
ITS PRODUCTION PROCESS, AND  
SYNTHETIC QUARTZ CRUCIBLE

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: EXAMINER: HOFFMANN, J. M.

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1731

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Final Rejection dated September 16, 2003, the period for response having been extended to January 16, 2004, by a petition for extension of time filed herewith, please amend the application identified above as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.